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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In order to comply with 37 CFR 1.197 and 1.98, attached hereto is a copy of Form PTO-1449 and copies of the documents listed thereon. These documents contain information which the Examiner should consider during examination of the present application.

In accordance with MPEP Sections 609 and 707.05(b), it is requested that each document cited (including any cited in applicant's specification which is

not repeated on the attached Form PTO-1449) be given thorough consideration and that it be cited of record in the prosecution history of the present application by initialing Form PTO-1449 next to the document. Such initialing is requested even if the Examiner does not consider a cited document to be sufficiently pertinent to use in a rejection, or otherwise does not consider it to be prior art for any reason, or even if the Examiner does not believe that the guidelines for citation have been fully complied with. This is requested so that each document becomes listed on the face of the patent issuing on the present application.

All but one reference listed in the accompanying PTO Form 1449 were identified in an International Search Report in the PCT application to which the present U.S. National Phase patent application claims priority. A copy of the search report is provided. For those references listed on the PTO Form 1449 which are in a foreign language, however, the requirements pursuant to 37 CFR 1.96 for a concise explanation of the relevancy of each foreign reference have been satisfied. In particular, the search report satisfies the concise explanation requirement in that it provides the degree of relevance of each non-English reference.

One reference, the DE 195 27 715 was uncovered by the German Patent Office. The reference was characterized as pertinent only to the preamble of a claim 1 of the German claims.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR 1.56, but the citation of such document is not to be

construed as an admission that such document is necessarily relevant or prior art.

No representation is intended that the cited documents represent the results of a

complete search, and it is anticipated that the Examiner, in the normal course of

examination, will make an independent search and will determine the best prior art

consistent with 37 CFR 1.104(a) and 1.106(b) and, in the course of each search,

will review for relevance every document cited on the attached form even if not

initialed.

Early and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

We are not enclosing a check in the amount of \$240.00 for the fee

required in connection herewith because Applicant has not yet received a first

Official Action on the merits for this application. However, should a first Official

Action on the merits be mailed on or before the date of submission of this disclo-

sure statement, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees to

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Respectfully submitted,

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